Questioning Our Assumptions, Tapping Our Group Wisdom

A Facilitated Workshop of Change

If we can look beyond our differences, don’t we find that we share a vision of a better world? No matter our political or religious views, we seek a world:

- That rewards initiative but restrains greed
- That celebrates innovation and personal growth
- That balances individual rights and communal well being
- That respects diversity while seeing our similarities
- That recognizes a universal morality while respecting all cultures and religions
- That heals and protects our physical and social environments

Our modern society is founded on assumptions, including some that no longer serve to create this vision of our future. Each week we will explore one aspect of this base and seek, through facilitated sharing of our own perspectives, to find attitudes we can adopt and actions we can take to help birth a world that works for all. Topics, and potential questions we may explore, include:

- **Climate Change**
  - Drought and its impact on society
  - Effect of a carbon tax on fossil fuel use
- **Oil**
  - Impact of reaching peak oil production
  - Effects of reliance upon foreign sources for oil
  - Should nuclear be used as a substitute?
- **Politics**
  - Is local political action effective?
  - Increasing transparency and community input
  - Effective campaign contribution reform
- **Money**
  - Is a local currency useful?
  - Can we balance taxes, deficits, & entitlements?
- **Social Justice**
  - How do I manifest racism in my own life?
  - What will be the impact from climate ‘refugees’
  - How do we remain blind to social justice issues?
- **Spirituality**
  - Should religion evolve?
  - Are we role-modeling our beliefs?
  - How can we demonstrate greater respect?
- **Militarism**
  - Is it inherent in our human experience?
  - What are the roots of war?
  - Are there alternatives to perpetual war?
- **Daily Life**
  - How do these assumptions affect transportation, food, and housing?
  - How can we become more generous?
- **Getting Into Action**
  - What are our next steps?
  - How can we network locally & more efficiently?
  - Let’s find our own unique passion!

Come to see other views and leave energized and ready to birth a new vision. Bring your open mind, a willingness to share honestly, and your skepticism.

[Mondays], 6:30 – 9 pm at [Santa Clara] {placeholder only for now}

Small donation requested, but not required, to cover the costs of this event. Space is limited. Please R.S.V.P. to derek@derekjoetennant.net to receive briefing materials and workshop guidelines.